

Bethel AME Church Activities

BY MRS. CATHERINE F. GILL

Mrs. P. Bernard Walker, wife of the pastor of Bethel AME Church has returned to the city after visiting in New York with her daughters, their families and other friends.

MRS. LYDIA QUICK SERVES AS HOSTESS FOR MISSIONARY CIRCLE

Mrs. Lydia Quick served as hostess for Missionary Circle No. 1 at her home, 1405 East Lee Street, January 9. The meeting was called to order at 8 p.m. with Mrs. Aleece Faulkner presiding. Following the devotions and a short business session, Mrs. Ethel Anderson, chairman of the Senior Missionary Society of Bethel was presented to the group. She urged all members to be present at the Missionary Society on Thursday, January 8, among other remarks made to the group.

Plans for several activities for the year were discussed by the group. One of the plans was to observe birthdays of the members by giving a small gift, coming in sending cards.

We were happy to have Mrs. Ethel Ruffin, a member of our church who has been ill, back with us.

Hostess for the next meeting, January 23, will be Mrs. Mariot Watson at her home, 715 Loran Street.

Mrs. Ethel Anderson will entertain the Circle January 26, at her home, 405 Boyd Street, as a courtesy for the many kindnesses and tokens sent her way by the circle, says Mrs. Anderson.

Members present at the meeting were Mesdames Annie Avery, Carrie Black, Catherine Gill,

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Aleece Faulkner, Lula Jordan, Florence Kesler, Lydia Quick, Beatrice Reid, Ethel Ruffin, William M. Verble, and Ida D. Wilkins. Guest, Mrs. Ethel Anderson.

The meeting closed with the Missionary Benediction. During the Social hour the hostess served a delicious repast consisting of Chicken Salad, Ritz crackers, coffee and cake, nuts and candies.

Postponement of the Christmas Dinner Party of the Senior Choir of Bethel due to unfavorable weather conditions the latter part of December, did not dampen the holiday spirit which prevailed in abundance when the party was held Saturday, January 11, 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Alice Benton, 109 Daniel Street. The house was beautifully decorated with winter flowers and holly which did much to add to the festivity of the affair.

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He concluded by saying, "I am requesting our chief officer in every state to fully implement the plans our Supreme office will supply to eradicate this problem."



Durham ministers have recently given evidence of a growing interest in the social problems confronting the community. An interdenominational organization recently formed and known as the Religious Affiliate of the Redevelopment Commission of the City of Durham, has brought together to meet the many growing social problems of the city, ministers

of the Baptist, Methodist, Catholic and Episcopal faiths. Shown above is a group of ministers, affiliated with the newly formed organization, participating in a discussion on some of the perplexing social problems of the community.

From left to right: Rev. V. E. Brown, Rev. William Fuller, Rev. Carl Bucy, Standing Mrs. Josephine Bradley, Secretary.

Relocation Office, Ben T. Perry, Executive Director of the Redevelopment Commission of the City of Durham; Rev. E. T. Brown, Mrs. Charlie K. Swift, Relocation Director; and Rev. A. D. Moseley, Not present in the picture are: Father David B. Nickerson, Rev. R. L. Speaks, Father Joseph Howze, Rev. E. C. McLean and Rev. J. C. Epps.

State Heart Goal Announced

GREENSBORO—A state goal of \$85,000 has been set for the 1964 Heart Fund drive, according to Mrs. J. Spencer Love, North Carolina drive chairman.

Over 80,000 North Carolinians will participate in the Fund drive which gets under way on February 1. Heart Sunday, the one-day residential solicitation, will be observed on February 23 and will climax the month-long fund raising activities of local Heart Associations.

The annual Heart Fund effort

provides funds for the heart research, education, and community service programs of the North Carolina and American Heart Associations. The state drive was headed by Hargrove Bowles, of Greensboro, last year and raised over \$510,000; the national Heart Fund campaign total exceeded \$38 million in 1963.

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Masonic Leader Attacks School Dropout Problem

DETROIT, Michigan — "Because of race prejudice a great percentage of our most important resource is permitted to go undeveloped." With these words Dr. William Venoid Banks distinguished international masonic leader, launched the attack of his organization on the school dropout problem.

Dr. Banks, Supreme Grand Master of International Mason and Eastern Star, told an audience of local educators assembled at the organization's Temple in Detroit January 6, "while dropouts were of particular concern to Negroes they also constitute a great national loss, and should be of general concern to the whole country."

"In this period of greatest peril to our nation, when we are engaged in an ideological war with an adversary, dedicated to his often expressed resolve to obliterate us, we can ill afford the luxuries of race segregation and discrimination motivated by prejudice."

He further stated that "this is not a war in which the weapons of the combatants are rifles, tanks and mortars, but rather ideas, slide rules and computers."

"The prudent utilization of all its resources is essential to the success of any nation involved in a war," Dr. Banks continued, "this axiom applies whether you are dealing with conventional conflict or the ideological variety."

Dr. Banks then asserted "that the most important resource of America in her struggle with communism is our youth."

"We must exert every effort to see that the minds of all our young people are developed to their fullest capacity."

The masonic leader contended that this is not being done today "when the nation has a school segregation, both de facto and by law." "The effects of this segregation are apparent for all to see," he said, "Any impartial witness will acknowledge that the quality of education extended our Negro youths in segregated schools is inferior to that provided in white or predominately white schools." HE STATED

Quoting from Thomas Gray, Dr. Banks said, "Full many a gem of purest ray serene, the dark unfathomed caves of ocean bear. Full many a flower is born to blush unseen and waste its sweetness on the desert air."

"America, he said, "must find and polish its every gem, and provide a favorable climate for the development of all its flow

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Dr. Sylvia Render Appointed Professor of English at NCC

North Carolina College President Samuel P. Massie announced recently the appointment of Dr. Sylvia Lyons Render as professor of English.

Dr. Render, who was a member of the Florida A. and M. University faculty from 1950 to the close of the fall quarter in 1963, joined the NCC faculty on January 1.

A native of Atlanta, Georgia, Dr. Render received her high school education at Pearl High School, Nashville, Tenn. and received the B. S. degree from Tennessee A. and I. State University, majoring in English and education.

Dr. Render received her M. A. degree from Ohio State University and the Ph.D. degree from George Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville, Tennessee, she also pursued graduate work in English at the University of Chicago and the University of Wisconsin.

Before entering the teaching profession in 1950, Professor Render was employed by the Ohio State Bureau of Unemployment Compensation, the U. S. Employment Service, and the Veterans Administration in Columbus, Ohio.

A member of the Florida College English Association, the National Council of Teachers of English and the Council on College Composition and Communication, Dr. Render is also a member of Alpha Kappa Mu, Kappa Delta Pi, and the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

Her publications include the following: "A Critique of Shakespeare Criticism," Bulletin of the Florida A. and M. University, Sept. 1953 and June, 1959; "Folk Motifs in George Peele's The Old Wives Tale," Tennessee Folklore Society Bulletin, Sept. 1960; and "Status Seekers or Status Makers?," Alpha Kappa Mu Journal, Winter, 1963.

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Second largest single branch in the country was Detroit with 28,443, followed by Philadelphia, 24,381. Other branches with 10,000 or more members included Cleveland, 16,034; Baltimore, 12,613; Washington, 11,205; Pittsburgh, 10,457; and Brooklyn, 10,200.

In every area of its activity the NAACP saw outstanding success in 1963. The Youth and College Division, the largest youth civil rights group in the nation,

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